

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Joseph Peter Hubert Maria MERTENS

Serial No.: 10/511,339

Filed: October 15, 2004

For: BARRIER ELEMENT

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Commissioner for Patents
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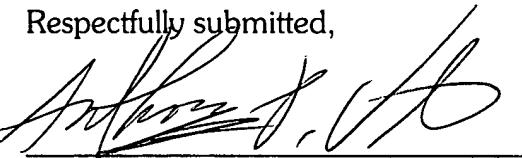
Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 37 USC 371 in the US Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), dated March 17, 2005, submitted herewith is a Declaration and Assignment.

Our Check No. 42196 for \$170 is enclosed covering the Declaration surcharge and the Assignment recordation fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees to the undersigned's Deposit Account No.19-4375.

Respectfully submitted,

By:


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